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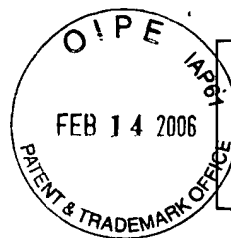
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For: **MOTOR-OPERATED POWER STEERING
DEVICE**

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

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Dear Sir:

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the courtesies extended in the telephonic interview of February 14, 2006. Applicant submits herewith a list of references on the attached PTO/SB/08 to clarify the references listed in the IDS previously filed on May 25, 2005. Applicant notes that in the previously filed IDS, references BC and BD were incorrectly listed under the heading Foreign Patent Documents. Additionally, reference BD was incorrectly labeled 'JP-138382' and incorrectly dated 4-19-1917. These references have been corrected and are labeled under the heading Non Patent Literature Documents, noted at CA and CB.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this

application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed more than three months after the U.S. filing date, OR more than three months after the date of entry of the national stage of a PCT application, AND after the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, whichever occurs first, but before the mailing date of a Final Office Action or Notice of Allowance (37 CFR 1.97(c)).

A summary/abstract translation of the non-English language references is enclosed.

A copy of only those references listed below is attached:

Foreign Doc No.	Ctr	Patentee/Applicant	Publication
WO 2004/026665 A1	PC	NSK Ltd.	April 1, 2004
GB 2 198 098 A	GB	Honda Giken Kogyo	June 8, 1988
1-145670	JP		October 6, 1989
6-239247	JP		August 30, 1994
9-132153	JP		May 20, 1997
6-144280	JP		May 24, 1994
62-118783	JP		July 28, 1987
10-335218	JP	Office Action	April 12, 2005
10-335218 (English version)	JP	Office Action	April 12, 2005

Further, Applicant(s) have become aware of the following documents, cited in Japanese Office Action issued April 12, 2005 (English translation attached), during the prosecution of international application No. 10-335218, which corresponds to the above referenced application, and in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(c) and (e)(1) or (b)(3), hereby submit(s) these documents for the Examiner's consideration. These documents are cited on the

enclosed PTO Form SB/08, and a copy of the Office Action and of each document required under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) cited thereon are enclosed as well.

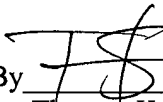
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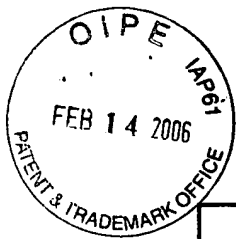
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The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith to our Deposit Account No. 50-0591, under Order No. 10122/005002.

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		Number-Kind Code ² (if known)			
	AA	US-4,837,692-A	06-06-1989	Shimizu	
	AB	US-6,412,591-B1	07-02-2002	Endo et al.	
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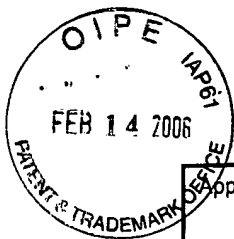
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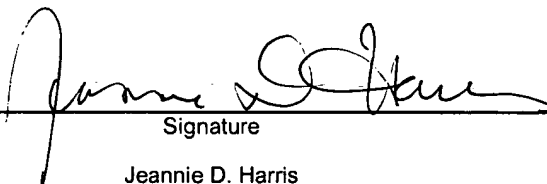
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